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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This Amendment and Response is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed March 23, 2006 in the above-identified patent application. With a three-month extension, the response is due on or before September 25, 2006 (September 23, 2006 being a Saturday). Applicant submits herewith a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time, along with the appropriate fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayments of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, reference 21578-010 CON.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

Appendices A-L are attached.